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PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 7552.0020

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Silvio Cavalcanti et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 3761
	)	
Application No.: 10/765,149	)	Examiner: Leslie R. Deak
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Filed: January 28, 2004	)	
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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR	)	Confirmation No.: 2154
MONITORING A VASCULAR	)	
ACCESS OF A PATIENT	)	
SUBJECTED TO AN	)	
EXTRACORPOREAL BLOOD	)	
TREATMENT	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed April 19, 2006, the period for response  
extending to July 19, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this Reply.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 30 of this Reply.